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AMERICAN AUTOS.

IN the *Transactions of the American Jewish Historical Society* original documents in my possession and other materials as to the establishment of the American Inquisition in 1569 and its subsequent history will shortly be published. In order, however, to add to the lists of autos already collected here, I append the dates of thirty-four celebrated at Lima and fifty-four at Cartagena de las Indias. The sources and other particulars of these are given in the *Transactions*.

AUTOS DE FÉ AT LIMA.

Nov. 15, 1573	Aug. 11, 1635	Dec. 21, 1720
April 1, 1578	Aug. 17, 1635	July 12, 1733
Oct. 29, 1581	Jan. 23, 1639	Dec. 23, 1736
Nov. 30, 1587	Nov. 17, 1641	Nov. 11, 1737
April 5, 1592	Jan. 23, 1664	Oct. 19, 1749
Dec. 17, 1595	Feb. 16, 1666	April 6, 1761
Dec. 10, 1600	June 28, 1667	Sept. 1, 1773
March 13, 1605	Oct. 8, 1667	Feb. 18, 1800
June 1, 1608	March 16, 1693	Aug. 27, 1803
June 17, 1612	Dec. 20, 1694	Sept. 10, 1805
Dec. 21, 1625	Nov. 28, 1719	July 17, 1806
Feb. 27, 1631		

AUTOS DE FÉ AT CARTAGENA DE LAS INDIAS.

Feb. 2, 1614	June 6, 1655	May 30, 1688
July, 1618	Oct. 1, 1656	Dec. 11, 1689
March 13, 1622	Sept. 16, 1657	April 29, 1691
June 17, 1626	May, 1669	March, 1695
Aug. 6, 1627	March 2, 1670	April 27, 1697
June 25, 1628	Aug. 24, 1671	April 29, 1699
March 7, 1632	Sept. 4, 1671	Jan. 10, 1700
March 26, 1634	Sept. 4, 1672	June 20, 1700
June 1, 1636	Feb. 17, 1675	Feb. 24, 1707
March 25, 1638	April 4, 1677	March 18, 1708
July 22, 1642	Oct. 23, 1678	May 21, 1708
May 24, 1648	Nov. 12, 1679	May 26, 1711
Nov. 28, 1649	Dec. 21, 1681	July 9, 1713
Dec. 21, 1650	Oct. 28, 1682	July 29, 1714
April 25, 1653	July 29, 1683	June 11, 1715
July 22, 1653	Aug. 29, 1683	Nov. 30, 1715
April 28, 1654	Feb. 11, 1685	June 20, 1717
May 8, 1655	Sept. 9, 1685	Feb. 5, 1782

MEXICO.

The Inquisition at Mexico was no less zealous, and Medina is now engaged in a work specially dealing therewith. Dr. George Kohut and others have frequently devoted their attention to Mexico, and, indeed, Dr. Kohut has an article of eighteen pages in Vol. XI of the *Transactions of the American Jewish Historical Society*, dealing with a single Mexican trial, that of Francisco Maldonado de Silva, who was burnt at the auto of Jan. 23, 1639.

Mr. E. Nott Anable, during a recent visit to Mexico of several months' duration, found there in the hands of an antiquary a collection of MSS. relating to the "Holy Inquisition" of Mexico, covering the period from 1601 to 1692, and has brought them to New York.

The papers for the most part refer to trials before the Inquisition. All the papers relating to each case are collected together, and make thirty-one volumes, about nine and a half inches by thirteen, of which twenty-one volumes are bound in vellum and eleven are bound without covers.

The collections consist generally of the information laid with the officers of the Inquisition by some person, an order directing the arrest of the accused party, the return of the officer who executed the writ, a report of the bearing of the accused, with the statement made by him, the testimony of the witnesses examined for and against him (in some cases statements made by the accused under torture), the judgment of the Inquisitors, and the report of the infliction of the punishment to which the accused was condemned.

Many papers bear the original seals of the church officers of the Inquisition, and are of unquestionable authenticity.

The crimes with which the accused were charged are varied. Many are for "observing the Laws of Moses," several are against priests "for soliciting criminal favours after confession of their spiritual daughters," one is for

maintaining a compact with the Devil, another for practising witchcraft, others for heresy and blasphemy.

The following is Mr. Nott Anable's description of his volumes containing the original records of trials before the "Holy Inquisition" of Mexico between the years 1601 and 1692.

Volume 22. More than 100 pages. Year 1601.

Process against Leonor de Caceres, only child of Antonio Diaz de Caceres, and Miss Catalina Cueva de Carbajal, his wife, also her mother and sisters, for Judaism, &c., &c.

Volume 1. More than 400 pages. Year 1602.

Criminal case against Bartolome Barba, against Jose de Aguilar, and against Sanchez de Ciordia, a document of two and a half pages, in the old Mexican language, and criminal case against Francisco de Carbajal. Several letters from the commissioner of the Holy Inquisition in Vera Cruz. Information from the same commissioner at Vera Cruz. Process against Geronimo Revera, soldier from New Mexico, born in Sevilla, for having married twice, year 1603. Process against Pedro Marquez, from the village of Puebla de los Angeles. Information of the genealogy and character of Fernando Mendez Valdez, living at the city of Cobu, Islands of Philippines, and his wife, Isabel Jimenez, year 1603.

Volume 23. 244 pages. Year 1603.

Process against Fraile Joseph Pirez de Ugarte, priest belonging to the Order of Merced in the convent in the city of Mexico, for having acted as commissioner in cases of the Holy Inquisition without having a right to do so.

Volume 2. 25 pages. Year 1609.

Process against Francisco Munoz, clergyman presbyter from the Archbishopric of Guadalajara, for soliciting criminal favours after confession. Information against Pedro de la Reyuera and Francesca Villa Varde, his wife, their genealogy and morals, of the city of Mexico. A document of inquiry regarding the Holy Inquisition from the Kingdom of Navarra, Spain. Information how Fraile P. Frechel, of the San Augustin Order, was elected member of the Holy Office of the Inquisition of the town of Burgos, year 1617.

Volume 3. 300 pages. Year 1620.

Process against Fraile Esteban Rodriguez, of the San Franciscan Order, priest and confessor, Superior of the Convent of Mexcatitla, Province of Zacatecas, for soliciting criminal favours of boys in confession. Criminal process against Domingo Diaz, alias Domingo Rodriguez, a Portuguese of the city of Los Angeles in New Spain, for Judaism (or being a Jew), year 1622. Information against twenty-four persons (God dispose of them). Commissioner of the Holy Inquisition of Puebla against De Diaz. Publications, &c., &c., against Fraile Rodriguez.

Volume 4. 300 pages. Year 1622.

Criminal case against Presbyter Fraile Pedro Martin Balao, year 1622. A Dominican, for soliciting criminal favours.

Volume 5. 300 pages. Year 1624.

Process against Baltazar del Valle, Portuguese, of the city of Zamora, for being a Jew (or Judaism), and a document regarding his character.

Volume 6. 400 pages. Year 1624.

Criminal process against Fraile (Priest) Pedro Martin. Criminal process against Sebastian Dominguez from Medina, for being married twice.

Volume 24. 190 pages. Year 1626.

Process and criminal case against Miss Antonia Belle, of New Vera Cruz, born in Alcalaazar, for witchcraft.

Volume 7. 150 pages. Year 1629.

Process against Francesca, of St. Joseph's, inmate of the Convent of the Conception, of the city of Oaxaca.

Volume 8. 150 pages. Year 1631.

Process against Fraile Pedro Rodriguez, Order of San Francisco, from the province of San Francisco and from the same island, for saying mass without being ordained a priest. Evidence from the Holy Inquisition of Valladolid.

Volume 9. 500 pages. Year 1634.

Criminal process against Baltazar de Valle alias Diaz, from Zamora in Spain. His parents were Portuguese, forty-six years old, peddler, married and living at Pachuca, for Judaism. There were nine witnesses against him, and he testified against twelve. Francisco de Vidal, member of religious order. Copy of information.

*Volume 21.**400 pages.**Year 1642.*

Process and denouncement of Miss Isabel Texoso, living in New Vera Cruz, sixty years old, for being a Jewess; had ten trials, twenty-eight persons testifying against her. Criminal case and process asked for by the fiscal or attorney of the Holy Office against the memory and fame of Isabel Texoso, 1659. Pretensions of the Presbyter Serafine Garcia Gardenas for commissioner of the Holy Office in his Curate in Real of Guarysonray, year 1791.

*Volume 10.**500 pages.**Year 1642.*

Criminal process against Simon Lopez, from the city of Guarda in Portugal, peddler and living in Portugal, for following the Laws of Moses. Advice that Juan Duarte, Francisco Lopez, and Simon Lopez, of Aguarda, Portugal, have been imprisoned. Letters from Lopez while in the Inquisition prison. Criminal process and case against George Jacinto, of Mexico, born in Malaga, husband of Blanca Juarez, for following the Laws of Moses; thirty-eight witnesses against him, for being besides a heretic and Jew, he giving evidence against thirty-three persons. (This case was tried before the celebrated Manozca.)

Publication No. 7 of the American Jewish Historical Society contains a translation of the trial of Gabriel de Granada (1642-1645), and Simon Lopez was one of the persons against whom he deposed.

*Volume 11.**300 pages.**Year 1642.*

Criminal process against Francisco Ruiz, a foreigner and a weaver living in Guatemala, for being a heretic. Criminal process against Diego Juarez, 1642, from Pazcuaro, State of Michoacan, born in Lisbon, for being a Jew, forty-three years old; fifty-five witnesses.

*Volume 12.**250 pages.**Year 1642.*

Criminal process against Miss Francisco Texoso, of Vera Cruz, born in Sevilla, thirty years old, for being a Jewess; twenty-seven witnesses, she giving evidence against forty-two persons; the celebrated Irishman Azuzena had criminal connexion with her, as she had with many other persons. Criminal process, 1642, against George Montoya, from Castle Blanco in Portugal, a fugitive, heretic and Jew; he was delivered to the Holy Inquisition as an offender at the Auto da Fé or General Order to the criminal judges in April, 1649; he was also a prisoner of the Inquisition in Goa. A judicial letter or notice to George Moya. Documents sent to priests regarding the foregoing letter.

Volume 13.

300 pages.

Year 1642.

Criminal process against Antonio Tinoco, dead, the son of James Tinoco, dead, and Mrs. Henriqueta, of Mexico, for following the Laws of Moses. Letters and advices to his sons and descendants, grandchildren, heirs, or any other persons. Criminal process against James de San Martin, from the Mines of Los Ramos, for having married twice. This case has signatures of many important persons.

Volume 14.

320 pages.

Year 1643.

Criminal case against Mrs. Catarina Enriquez, of Vera Cruz, Jewess, for following the Laws of Moses; thirty years old, from Sevilla. Widow of Pedro Arias Maldonado, of Portugal; she had twenty-two brothers, and ninety persons gave evidence against her. Circular and advices of her descendants. Criminal process against the (dead) Gasper de Fonseca, from Portugal, belonging to the village of Ayula, where he died, for having been a Jew. An edict or proclamation. Criminal process against Lorenzo de Torquemada for having tried to become a member of the Holy Inquisition. Criminal case against Francisco Rasen, Frenchman, from Normandy, two leagues from the port of Understadt, pernicious heretic, procurer of heretics, Jew and Calvinist, 1643; ninety persons witnesses against him. A proclamation or edict. Criminal case against Juan Augustin, a mulatto, labourer in the smelter at Guadalajara, for having married twice, 1649.

Volume 15.

222 pages.

Year 1643.

Criminal process against Lorenzo de Torquemada, for having forced himself in as a member of the Holy Inquisition. Case against Francisco Rasen, Frenchman, from Normandy, heretic, follower of Luther, Jew, &c.

Volume 25.

20 pages.

Year 1643.

Process and criminal case against Fraile Domingo Ramos, of the Order of Santo Domingo, of the province of Chiapas, for having asked criminal favours of his spiritual daughters during confessions.

Volume 26.

134 pages.

Year 1643.

Process and criminal case against Margarita Morena, of the city of Mexico, follower of the Laws of Moses, wife of Amaro Diaz Martarana, peddler of the city of Mexico, aged thirty-two years; seven witnesses against her and twenty-four witnesses for her.

Volume 16. 304 pages. Year 1652.

Criminal case against Yuan Manuel, mulatto, free, from Ciranandaro, Michoacan, a cow-boy at the farm of Coralejo. It was proven by the Holy Inquisition that he had a covenant, contract, or (pacto) with the Devil, a forsaker of the Holy Catholic Religion, and the master of this offence. A judicial sentence against Juan Rodriguez for having been married twice at the mines of Paral.

Volume 17. 320 pages. Year 1653.

Criminal case and process against Juana Gutierrez Jalapa, negress, not a slave, belonging to New Vera Cruz. Juana Jalapa was a notable witch; there are many traditions amongst the people regarding her witchcraft. The attorney representing the Holy Inquisition against Luis Rame for being a heretic and belonging to different sects, year 1685.

Volume 18. 250 pages. Year 1661.

Denunciation of Nicholas Bazen, mulatto, a slave, belonging to Melchor Diaz de Posadas, against a brother of Melchor de Posadas, Fernando Diaz, his son, and others, and continuation of the case. Criminal case against Pedro Correo, owner of a Hacienda, married in Paral, for blasphemy and being a renegade from or of God, year 1666.

Volume 19. 320 pages. Year 1665.

Evidence and sentence as an object of terror. In virtue of an order of the Holy Secretary of the illustrious tribunal of the Holy Inquisition of Mexico of the Kingdom and Provinces of New Spain, against the person and property of Pedro Correa Juarez. The Presbyter Juan Bilboa, by order of the Vicar ecclesiastical and commission of the Holy Office in the Real of San Joseph of Paral and its districts. Case against Miss Maria Garces, mulatto, not a slave, for having said things against God, 1678.

Volume 20. 390 pages. Year 1673.

The attorney of the Holy Office against Fraile Christobal Bosueto, alias de la Cruz, forty years old, married. The attorney of the Inquisition of the Holy Office against Father and Fraile Ygnacio Carbajal, of the Order of San Augustin, for criminal solicitation, year 1787.

Volume 27. 320 pages. Year 1673.

Criminal case against Juan Gonzalez de Molina, a Notary Public, living at Carvarroya; De Palavera, living at Tepeaca; Francisco Yanez, living at Tocumachalco; Ana de Figueroa, from Leon in Spain, living

in Mexico ; Juan Lopez, a horse-shoer of Mexico, for having put in a village a statue of two Sambenitos. A letter with the great seal of the Holy Inquisition. Another large letter with seal.

Volume 30. 350 pages. Year 1688.

The Fiscal Inquisitor or Attorney for the Inquisition and Holy Office against Fraile Eusebio Vellarejo, lecturer in secret of Holy Theology and of the Holy Catholic Missions in the City of Pachuca.

Volume 29. 165 pages. Year 1650.

Publication of the general proclamation of the Holy Faith and lectures on the letter of excommunication, at the Mines of Chichicapa. Commission of the P. M. Fraile Nicolas de Cabrera, of the Order of San Domingo, Catedratico of Oaxaca. Certificates of the Holy Office of the Inquisition to the Notary Fraile Joseph Balencia, &c., &c. Information in the case against Antonio Fernandez Machuca, of Oaxaca.

Volume 28. 57 pages. Year 1692.

The Fiscal or Attorney of the Holy Inquisition against the Clergyman Sebastian Bolanos, from Guatemala, for criminal solicitation or asking criminal favours.

Volume 31.

Book of sixty pages, official and other letters.

Volume 32. 54 pages. Year 1647.

Memorials of the father and grandparents of Captain Gasper de Armas, of Guatemala, born at the Canary Islands.

ITALY.

The Roman Inquisition, as has already been pointed out, is still in force, though its subjects are now paper and ink instead of flesh and blood. But in the three centuries preceding the French Revolution it was hardly less active, if not quite so bloodthirsty, as its savage daughters in the Peninsula. Where are its records? For a reply to this question we must proceed to a famous Protestant University in Ireland. In 1809 Napoleon took away with him from Rome to Paris over 400 tons' weight of these Inquisition Records. After his downfall they were restored to Rome,

but the pontifical authorities, who have always shown themselves more politic than literary, thought it best to destroy them. And accordingly the precious documents were cut up into minute particles and then sold to the paper-makers. Even so, they realized as waste paper no less than 4,300 francs. Sixty-six volumes, however, of these "Dataria" seem to have escaped that fate, and were purchased by the then Duke of Manchester in 1841. Vice-Provost Wall bought them of him in 1854, and then presented them to the library of Trinity College, Dublin. They constitute a perfect mine of historical information, and are highly treasured by the authorities, who have had them nicely bound and preserved in a strong room. Mr. Karl Benrath has published a rather full description of their contents in the 1879 and 1880 volumes of *La Rivista Cristiana*. He analyses them into three series:—

(a) Twelve volumes of Pontifical Briefs and Bulls, Boniface IX to Pius VI, and one volume of Clement XIII, for the years 1389, 1434, 1439, 1463, 1489, 1493, 1530, 1556, 1561, 1745, 1777, and 1784;

(b) Nineteen volumes of original Sentences for the years 1564 to 1659; and

(c) Thirty-five volumes, giving details of proceedings against heretics and other clerical offenders during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. One of these volumes devotes over a hundred pages to the investigation of a charge of ritual murder against the Jews of Ancona in the year 1711, and their ultimate vindication.

A similar collection of documents relating to the Inquisition in the Canary Islands is in Lord Bute's possession, and a sumptuous catalogue¹ thereof has just been published and favourably reviewed in more than a column of the *Times Literary Supplement* for September 16, 1904.

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¹ *Catalogue of a Collection of Original Manuscripts formerly belonging to the Holy Office of the Inquisition in the Canary Islands*: and now in the possession of the Marquess of Bute, with a notice of some unpublished records of the same series in the British Museum. Prepared under the direction of John, third Marquess of Bute, K.T., LL.D., by W. de Gray Birch, LL.D., F.S.A., Librarian and Curator. In two volumes. (Blackwood, £3 3s.)